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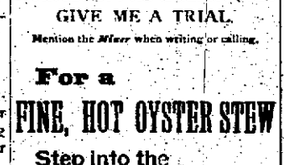

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Perseverance's Pluck

By EDITH SESSIONS TUPPER.

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"Perseverance!"

The voice rang out sharply on the summer air.

Perseverance Pendleton laid down her hoe and listened wearily.

"Yes, aunt," she answered.

"Come here!"

"I can hear you perfectly well."

"Yes, and I spose you'd call it makin them lazy ye're always over some book or other."

Perseverance flushed guiltily, but did not deny the accusation.

"I'll come down at once," she said evasively.

"Well, I want ye to. Them clothes must be rinsed an put out to bleach, an I want a mess of peas picked for dinner."

Perseverance made the beds, then took her way to the wood shed, where a huge pile of washing in two big tubs was waiting her. She bared her round, girlish arms and plunged them in the frothy foam, never realizing what a pretty picture she made as she bent over her task, her cheeks glowing, her little dark curls bobbing with the exercise.

After the linen was spread out on the grass Perseverance took a four quart pail, tied a sunbonnet over her curls and set out for the field below the pasture, where the fat pea pods were bursting with their succulent contents. The road wound through a grove of pines, and when the girl reached the heart of the wood she tore off her bonnet, and, lifting her head, drew in a long breath of the resinous air.

"Oh, my dear pines," she cried aloud, "you are my friends! I can talk to you. Am I to go on this way forever—washing clothes and picking peas in summer and teaching district school in winter? Is there nothing different for me in all this wide world? Must I stifle here? Must I grow narrow, hard—become a mere drudge, a machine? Is there no congenial work, no joy, no progress, to come in my life?"

The pines whispered among themselves as if commiserating the girl, on whose young face had crept a look of despair.

"I cannot endure it," she burst out. "I will not. What did they give me that queer, old fashioned name for, if I am to labor? Why were all these longings given to me if I am to vegetate here? No, I will go away. I will take my own money and go to New York to seek my fortune. Other girls have made their way in spite of every obstacle, and what others have done I can do. Yes, I will go."

She stopped for breath, and suddenly there flashed before her a face with patient eyes and sad mouth, a face lined and furrowed with care and anxiety. The patient eyes looked straight at Perseverance, and the sad lips seemed to murmur, "My daughter, would you leave me?"

The flush died out of the girl's face, her excited manner vanished, she stood for a few moments gazing thoughtfully upon the ground, then spoke again more gently:

"No, I cannot leave mother alone. She is too frail. She would worry and mourn about me. Who knows? It might kill her. Poor, dear, tired out mother, my duty is to stay with you."

Perseverance's better self had gotten the victory. She went on, fulfilled her task, and an hour later entered the kitchen, her pail brimming over with fat green pods.

"Wal, I thought ye never was comin with them peas," rebuked her Aunt Cynthy. "Ye do take yer time about everything."

Perseverance was about to answer her aunt hastily when she saw her mother's face. Her tearful expression that always flashed upon it when Perseverance and Cynthy had words. So the girl bit her lips and walked over to her mother, bending to kiss the meek face.

"How do you feel today, mother?" she gently asked.

"Not so well, dear," was the low reply.

"Between yer gruntin an the girl's nigs it's mighty little help I get," snapped Cynthy as she turned the doughnuts hissing in the hot lard.

Again an angry answer rose to Perseverance's lips, and again her mother's imploring look repressed it. Perseverance went about her duties, performing them in perfunctory fashion, and the long, hot, drowsy summer afternoon wore to a close.

That night in the quiet of their chamber the mother put her feeble arms about her daughter and laid her own cheek on the brown head and said sadly:

"I know all, daughter. I know the struggle through which you are passing. My heart wants to try its wings. But, oh, darling, wait a little. It will not be long. And try and be patient with poor Cynthy. Remember she is your aunt. What would have become of us when your father died if she had not given us a home?"

"But, mother, such a home!"

"Yes, yes, dear. I know. I have hoped that some day you and I could have a little home of our own. But it will never be. I am growing weaker every day. My summons will come soon. I shall have a home. But, oh, my child, what will become of you? You will go away, I know—to the city—you so innocent, so ignorant of the world. But mother can trust you, dear. My girl will keep her heart pure and her hands clean!"— A cough that racked the slender frame interrupted the sentence.

"Mother, don't talk that way. You make me feel terribly. Surely you are no worse, dear."

"Daughter," said the sick woman earnestly, "I am living in the shadow of the valley. At any hour I may be called to enter it. But the delectable mountains are beyond, I am sure, and from them I shall look back if I am permitted to see where my little girl is."

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One week later Perseverance heard the clods fall upon the coffin of her mother. Dry eyed and white faced, she listened to the words, "I heard a voice from heaven say, Write, 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, for they cease from their labors.'" And that was all the consolation poor Perseverance could find, that her worn, weary mother was at rest.

As soon as possible after the funeral Perseverance told her aunt of her intention to set out for herself. Cynthy was rather relieved than otherwise to have her go. Her dead sister-in-law and her child had been a great burden to Mrs. Pendleton, and she was not sorry to have that responsibility slip from her shoulders.

Perseverance lost no time in calling at Farmer Dean's for the address of Mrs. Verplanck, a New York woman who had boarded there two summers since, and who had taken a kindly interest in her and had asked her if ever she came to New York to look her up.

"Twas an all fired queer name the place she lived," said Mrs. Dean. "Nigh as I can remember, 'twas somethin like God Have Mercy street. I hain't looked it up sence she went away, 'cause I didn't s'pose I'd ever have no use for it. Lemme see. Now, where did I put that dratted thing? Oh, now I remember, in the family Bible, of course," and reaching down the ponderous book she rescued the slip of paper containing the address from close contact with a picture of Joseph in a pea green coat lecturing Pharaoh in vivid scarlet.

"There it is. Now, what'd I tell ye? D'ye ever hear sech an outlandish name as that?" handing the address to Perseverance.

"No. — Gramercy park," the girl read.

"Gramercy," mimicked Mrs. Dean. "I said 'twas as near God have mercy as anything. An hain't it curious that she lives in a park? I thought a park was where they had ponds an bridges an policemen an wild animals. I seen some pictures of Central park once, an that's how I got my idee. Mebbe, though, she owns the park. I shouldn't wonder a mite, fer the way that woman throwed money round was downright sinful."

"It must be a fine thing to have money," Perseverance said dreamily as she recalled the dainty laces, the sparkling rings of Mrs. Verplanck, "but I should want something besides money. Or, if I had the money, I should like to feel that my brains had coined it and my hands earned it. But I should want to choose my way of earning it."

"I tell ye, Perseverance Pendleton, look out," said Mrs. Dean. "Ye think too much about earnin money an a bein too independent like. Ye've got too high notions fer a girl. Ye jest to marry an settle down an quit teachin. It makes ye too spunky. But, land! some man'll take that all out of ye one of these days," and Mrs. Dean laughed noisily at her delicious wit.

Perseverance's eyes flashed, but she said nothing. She understood Mrs. Dean's allusion. The worthy woman had long settled upon an alliance between Melancthon, her son, and the pretty young girl under her roof. But to his unmistakable and ungallant hints Perseverance had no heed. She did not wish to marry for a long time yet. She wanted to make her own way, to do something for herself. Cynthy told her she was a fool not to take Melancthon and settle down.

"Perhaps I am, aunt," said the girl wearily, "but I will be a fool in my own way."

It was one sultry August morning that Perseverance set out in search of that fortune she confidently believed was waiting her. The train shot round a curve and past the village graveyard. Perseverance leaned from the window

"In Saratoga," echoed poor Perseverance.

of the car, her brimming eyes fixed on a low mound, newly made. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord," rang in her ears, "for they rest from their labors."

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It was high noon when Perseverance stepped out of the Grand Central depot into the rush and confusion of Forty-second street. The jabberings and mouthings of the cabmen frighten d her a bit, but she managed to long to her shabby handbag and slip past the group frantically urging her to "take a keb." She looked up and down the street filled with a hurrying throng of strange faces. She felt very lonely as she stood there only a ripple on the great seething maelstrom. For one moment her courage wavered, but Perseverance was a plucky girl and not easily daunted. Her eyes fell on a big, red faced policeman who was coming along with the leisurely air of a prince of the blood. She waited until he came up to her, then stepping forward asked how to reach Gramercy park.

"It's the Fort" accent o'yar ye'll be takin," was the reply. And, realizing that it was a pretty girl who was asking information, he twirled his mustache in killing fashion, hailed a car and put Perseverance on board.

The girl enjoyed the ride. Everything was new and strange to her. The tunnel, Madison Square Garden, the brownstone houses, the people, the gowns of the women, were a source of wonder and delight to her unsophisticated eyes. When the conductor helped her off the car and indicated the direction she was to take to reach Gramercy park, she was sorry her ride was over. But she walked slowly on, enjoying the glimpse ahead of the park and the strange, shrill cries of the street venders as only a novice can.

Perseverance rang the bell at the imposing house with some misgivings. It suddenly occurred to her that Mrs. Verplanck in the country and in the city might be two different beings, and that although the lady had seemed to fancy her and had urged her to look her up if ever she came to New York, yet it might be she had forgotten her existence. Her voice trembled as she asked the severe visaged servant who opened the door and looked her over rather contemptuously if Mrs. Verplanck lived there.

"She does," he drawled, "when she's in town. She's in Saratoga now."

"In Saratoga," echoed poor Perseverance faintly. "When will she return?"

"Not until September, I fancy," returned the man indifferently.

"September," said Perseverance. And she turned so white that even the lofty English servant was moved a trifle and asked rather more gently, "Henny message, miss?"

"No," said Perseverance in a dazed fashion. And turning she went slowly down the steps. She heard the door shut behind her, and it seemed to her excited fancy that the door of hope had closed upon her.

"What shall I do? Where shall I go?" over and over said the girl as she walked aimlessly along, not heeding whither she was going. The idea that Mrs. Verplanck might be out of town had never entered her ignorant little head. She had schooled herself to meet a chilling reception, but had relied on the hope that Mrs. Verplanck would advise her where to go and what to do. Now she was completely at sea.

She had walked a long way, bewildered and quite oblivious of her bearings. Suddenly looking up, she saw a sign, "Ladies' Restaurant," and realizing that she was quite faint from hunger went in. It was a long, low room, filled with small tables, at which sat parties of men and women, eating and drinking. Perseverance was so weary and hungry she paid little attention to the people, but slipped into a quiet corner and ordered the greasy waiter to bring her some tea and bread and butter. The man stared insolently at her as he took her order and stuck his tongue in his cheek as he turned away.

Many people looked at the fresh cheeked, sorrowful faced girl as she sat there alone, but none stared harder than a group at the next table. Two women with harsh faces and bloodined hair were drinking beer with a couple of flashily dressed and loud voiced men. They eyed Perseverance closely and whispered together. Presently one of the women rose and coming over to the girl said:

"What's wrong, dearie? You look as if you were in trouble."

Perseverance looked up, and, although she did not like the woman's scarlet cheeks and beery breath, still her voice was kind, and the girl felt so utterly alone she was glad to speak to any one. In the most artless fashion she answered the woman's questions until the latter had drawn her story from her.

"Well, now," said the blond, "what a pity! But never mind, I'll take care of you. You come home with me, and I'll make you perfectly comfortable, and I know of a nice position you can have as companion," and she winked at her party: "lovely place and good wages."

"How very kind you are!" said Perseverance, always with an uneasy feeling, as she noticed the dress and manner of her newly found friend.

"Yes," went on the other. "I'll be a mother to you, poor child! Bill," to one of her gentlemen friends, "you call a cab, and when the little lady has finished her luncheon I'll take her home with me."

Perseverance followed her friend to the door, still with that feeling of insecurity; but, singularly unsophisticated even for a country girl, she never realized her danger. However, some one else did. A slim, alert, sharp eyed, well dressed man saw the pair go out. He gave one quick glance, left his luncheon untasted and followed them.

Perseverance hesitated at the open door of the cab.

"Hurry up, dear," said the woman.

"Oh, no," said a cold voice. "Come now, Jennie, none of this. You leave this girl alone. Don't get in the cab, daughter. You're from the country? I thought so. Be quiet, Jennie. If you make a row, I'll run you in."

Jennie, with a muttered curse, hurried away, leaving Perseverance, white and trembling, facing the steely eyed man.

"My dear child," said he, "don't you know better than to trust yourself with a woman of that character?"

"I didn't know," faltered the girl.

"She was so kind."

"Sure," said the man, "but be careful. That woman was taking you to your ruin."

"But how did you know her?" gasped the girl as he turned back to the restaurant.

"Oh, I know everybody," he said lightly. "That's my business. Now, you go over to the Young Women's Christian association in Sixteenth street. They ought to look after you there. See, there's Broadway. Go straight up till you come to Sixteenth and turn to the left, and if they haven't got room red tape there religion there you'll find a secure place. Goodby. Good luck."

"Please tell me who you are," said Perseverance. "I want to know who it is that takes such an interest in a friendless girl."

"Never mind my name," said he, smiling. "I'm a police detective." And he lifted his hat and was gone.

"A police detective," repeated Perseverance. "How kind he was and what a lesson I've learned."

Her spirits rebounded from the effect of her recent unpleasant experience, and she hurried on to the door of the Young Women's Christian association. She stated her errand to the hallboy, who said listlessly, "Fifth story," and Perseverance took her first ride in an elevator.

She was received by a woman of uncertain years and cold, stern face, who, after hearing her story, asked:

"Are you a Protestant?"

"I suppose so," Perseverance said, "though I've never joined any church."

The woman shook her head dubiously and continued:

"Then it's quite useless to ask if you have a reference from your pastor."

"No," the girl said sadly. "I didn't know it was necessary."

"I'm very sorry," said the other, "but our rules are imperative. We cannot receive any girls or women without a reference."

Perseverance thought of the street and the great city with positive terror. She began to realize what the relentlessness of the big town meant, and a sense of utter helplessness rushed over her. She turned mechanically to go.

"Don't you think we might stretch the rules a trifle in this case?" said a sweet voice. "The child looks tired out. I really do not think we should send her away. She is quite at the mercy of unprincipled people, as she is so utterly a stranger."

Perseverance looked at the speaker. She was a beautiful woman of about 30, with a strong, sweet face. Her gown was plain, but fitted her marvelously. Her only ornaments were a cluster of violets, whose breath came to the girl like a waft from the south meadow of her father's farm, and a little silver cross that gleamed on her breast.

"Poor child," went on the gracious speaker, and coming over she passed an arm about Perseverance, who at those words did what every other good girl would do under the same conditions—burst into a passion of tears.

"Hush, hush, dear," said the gentle lady. "There; you are tired out. Come with me. You shall have a room for today and tonight at all events. Tomorrow we will talk matters over." And soothing the girl she led her along cool, dim corridors to a little room immaculate and sweet. Here she removed Perseverance's hat and set the cold water running so that she might bathe her flushed face.

"Now lie down, dear, and rest," were her parting words, and this Daughter of the King went softly out and closed the door behind her.

Perseverance glanced about the pretty room with its dainty belongings and furnishings. She read these words on a little satin banner:

Sleep sweet within this quiet room—
O thou, whoe'er thou art—
And let no mournful yesterdays
Disturb thy quiet heart.
Nor let tomorrow scare thy rest
With dreams of coming ill.
Thy Maker is thy changeless friend—
His love surrounds thee still.

From far below rose the muffled roar of the great city's traffic. The bed seemed singularly soft. Into the downy pillows the peachy cheek pressed. Down dropped the tired eyelids, and into the girl's sleep crept dreams of two angels—one with a silver cross gleaming on her breast and scattering the perfume of violets as she walked; the other, a keen eyed, sharp faced angel, who whispered in her drowsy ear that he was "a police detective."

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Perseverance's heart was beating with excitement as she rang the bell at a modest apartment house up town. It was three days since she came into New York friendless, alone, but full of enthusiasm and ambition to make her way. Nor was she discouraged by her distressing experience. Perseverance told the whole story to the lovely and gracious lady at the home, where she had been allowed to remain until she

"Ever done any work?"

might find employment. Mrs. Vincent listened in amazement and anger to the girl's recital, and at its close kissed her tenderly and said:

"Thank heaven, dear, that good man chanced to be near."

"But who was he?" Perseverance asked. "He said he was a police detective."

"A detective, dear, on the staff of the great police force of the city. If it were not for these brave men and for the daily press the city would be far more wicked than it is."

"The daily press," Perseverance said slowly. "Mrs. Vincent, I fear you will laugh at me, but I have always wanted to write for the papers. Do you think I could get anything to do in that line?"

"I fancy that most ambitious women have at some time or other the craving to write," the lady answered gently. "It, however, is a very hard life; at least so I am told by friends in journalism. But I will send you to a newspaper woman I know and ask her to advise you in the matter."

Armed with a letter of introduction to Mrs. Katharine Terry-Town, Perseverance rang her bell one sultry August morning. She followed the janitor up the stairs, as she felt quite inadequate to wrestle alone with the mysteries of an apartment house. Another bell was rung, and a smart, white capped maid ushered her into a little drawing room, so curious in its appointments that Perseverance's eyes opened very wide indeed. The girl did not know what to make of the extraordinary jumble of bric-a-brac, the sketches in black and white, the thousand and one pictures of prominent actors, actresses and singers crowding the wall. She simply stared in undisguised amazement until Mrs. Terry-Town came trailing in in a black silk Josephine gown. She was a woman in whose face was a curious mingling of kindness and disdain. Tears and smiles met in her eyes. Sometimes the full lips laughed voluptuously; again they took on a pathetic little droop. Perseverance studied her face intently and compared it with the insipidity of Mrs. Verplanck's countenance and the seriousness and spirituality of Mrs. Vincent's features. It was quite another type, and an idea flashed in Perseverance's queer little head that this woman was not very happy, that she had missed something in life.

Mrs. Terry-Town read Mrs. Vincent's note and then said kindly:

"I shall be very glad to help you in any way I can, but first you must let me ask you a few questions. Do not be alarmed. They will be quite different from any asked you at the home. I shall not bother about your religion or references. How did you come to think you could do newspaper work?"

"I have read of the success of so many women in this line," Perseverance answered. "I thought what others have done I might do."

"You have read of these startling successes in country newspapers, I suppose?"

"Yes."

"I thought so," rather contemptuously, and Mrs. Terry-Town muttered something about "imbecile correspondents" which Perseverance did not understand.

"Have you ever written anything for publication?" was the next question.

"I wrote one piece for our home paper, and every one seemed to like it," said Perseverance simply.

Mrs. Terry-Town smiled, but it was a sad little smile.

"You must not say 'wrote a piece,' but 'wrote a story,'" she said very gently.

"But this wasn't a story," said Perseverance; "it was more like an essay."

"Never mind. In newspaper offices everything is a story, from an account of a railway accident to a paragraph about a strawberry festival."

"That's queer," said Perseverance.

"Yes, my child, there's a lot of queer things," said the lady enigmatically. "Now, another question. Do you think you can endure having your heart broken regularly every day for the next ten years?"

"Why, what a strange question! Why do you ask that?"

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ADMINISTRATORS.

Smethport, Pa., January 20th, 1897.

To the Republicans of McKean county: This is to announce that I am a candidate for the office of Additional Law Judge of McKean county, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

CHARLES A. MCDOWELL.

Smith Township, Pa., Feb. 1st, 1897.

To the Republicans of McKean county: Please announce that I am a candidate for Assembly from McKean county, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

C. S. KIPP.

Port Allegany, Feb. 15, 1897.

To the Republicans of McKean county: Please announce that I am a candidate for Assembly from McKean county, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

M. W. MOFFITT.

Eldred, Feb. 15, 1897.

To the Republicans of McKean county: Please announce that I am a candidate for delegate from McKean county to the Republican convention, subject to the rules of the Republican party.

W. W. BROWN.

Smethport, Feb. 15, 1897.

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RICHMOND CHADWICK.

Smethport, Feb. 15, 1897.

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W. E. BURDICK.

Smethport, Feb. 15, 1897.

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JOHN W. CAMPBELL.

Kane, Feb. 15, 1897.

THE international monetary conference bill was passed by the Senate Tuesday.

THE date having arrived yesterday Cleveland was compelled to March [illegible] and will go into "innocuous obscurity."

HON. C. W. STONE, our Congressman, spoke a very able speech on the International monetary bill recently in the House of Representatives.

AT high noon yesterday Grover Cleveland stepped out and William McKinley took the oath of office as the twenty fifth President of the United States.

AMERICAN ingenuity and skill is making itself felt, *as evidenced* by an order recently received from England by an Ohio shoe factory for 42,000 pairs of shoes.

CANTON, Ohio, which has been the Mecca of all Republican politicians since last June, has now lost its attraction and will fall back to its ordinary common place condition again.

THE Republican county committee met in Bradford last Monday and decided to hold the primaries Saturday, April 10th, and the convention on Tuesday, April 13th, at the Court House.

MCKINLEY will find it necessary to apply a large quantity of protection fertilizer to Grover's clover patch, in order to make it supply sufficient revenue to carry on the government with out cutting heads.

COL. J. J. MCCOOK of New York having refused to accept the position as Secretary of the Interior in President McKinley's cabinet, Cornelius N Bliss of the same State has been selected to fill the place.

IT is currently reported that Atty Eugene Mullin of Bradford will be a candidate for Judge on the Democratic ticket in this district. Mr. Mullin would certainly make an able jurist and would gracefully preside on the bench.

STATE SENATOR C. J. A. ERICSON of Iowa, is a candidate for the appointment of minister to Sweden-Norway. He is a man thoroughly qualified for the position, and President McKinley would please hundreds of thousands of Scandinavian voters by making the appointment.

MR. CLEVELAND'S cupidness in the Hawaiian Island question during the early part of his last administration and also at the close in his conduct towards Cuba, added to his civil service course, will overshadow what little he has done of a meritorious nature during his incumbency in the Presidential chair.

YESTERDAY at noon the gavels of Vice-President Stevenson and Speaker Reed fell upon their respective desks and the session of the 54th Congress closed. Very little has been accomplished in the way of legislative reform owing to the situation of the Senate. Neither party had a majority and the Silverite Senators holding the balance of power were able to block the wheels of legislation and prevent anything being accomplished unless favorable to the cause of free silver. Let us hope that the next Senate will have a Republican majority, that some good may be wrested for the relief of the country.

A MORE striking feature in regard to the attitude of the United States towards the island of Cuba, struggling for independence, *is found in the position* of our past chief executive, Grover Cleveland, and Consul General Fitz Hugh Lee. Cleveland, as President of the United States, had sworn to protect the lives of all honest American citizens anywhere in the world, but he has sadly failed. Americans living in Cuba have been deprived of their property and afterwards fiendly murdered. Yet our "consecrated knight of free trade" has allowed these attrocities to be perpetrated under his very eyes and has not raised a finger of remonstrance to Spain to stop this slaughtering of American citizens. On the other hand we find Consul General Fitz Hugh Lee, who about one year previous ago was doing all in his power to disburse the union of States that the heroes of the revolution had fought eight years to establish, now doing all in his power to maintain the dignity of this United States and stop this high handed murdering of her citizens by brother Weyler, Captain General of the Spanish forces at Cuba, sent there by Spain, to carry on her outrages upon the Cuban sufferers. Cleveland may have meant all for the best, but there is no patriotic American citizen living to day who would not have been in hearty accord with the President if he had said to Spain, the life and property of every American citizen within your border must be respected as fully as though they were living on Uncle Sam's territory. And there is nothing that President McKinley can do that will add more lustre to his term than to say to Spain, and all other nations, that the rights of American citizens must be respected.

OUR COUNTRY'S HOPE.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, March 1, 1897.—Senator Sherman has said enough to let all the world know what the Cuban policy of President McKinley will be. To boil it down, President McKinley's purpose is to let the Spaniards and Cubans fight it out without taking sides, and to let both understand that American citizenship has got to be respected, something that has not been done under the Cleveland-Olney Cuban policy. Such a policy would have prevented the exciting scenes in Congress caused by the treatment which Spain has been allowed to give American citizens in Cuba.

If Congress fails to dispose of all the appropriation bills, it will not be the fault of the House, which passed the last of them several days ago. The Senate has been in an ugly mood since the Cuban excitement last week, which was so suddenly brought to a close by a duel between Secretary Olney and Spain, which resulted in the pardon of Julio Sangrilly just as the Senate was about to adopt a resolution demanding his unconditional release. Senator Sherman's announcement that American citizens everywhere would be protected by President McKinley's administration also had a quieting effect, but the ugly temper of the Senate has come to the surface in a number of personal wrangles over unimportant matters.

Washington begins inauguration week full of visitors and with every arriving train bringing more, and the decorations already in place make it certain that it will present a much handsomer and more artistic appearance than it has ever done before. The stands along Pennsylvania avenue, from which the parade will be viewed, are much handsomer than usual, just as the prices for seats are much higher than usual, ranging from $5 00 for the best to $1 00 for the rear seats in the stands. There are seats for about 50,000 in all the stands and the present demand indicates that they will all be occupied, but those who see the parade from seats will hardly be one-tenth of the total number of spectators.

Many prominent men, including Chairman Hanna, and four members of President McKinley's cabinet are already in Washington, and the corridors of the principal hotels remind one of scenes at a national convention.

John Wedderburn, who figured in the courts as the defendant in a suit brought by W. R. Hearst, in connection with the Examiner Claim Bureau and the Press Claims Company, both of which Wedderburn originated and both of which are now dead, has run up against an official snag in the conduct of the business of John Wedderburn & Co. Fifty five prominent patent lawyers of Washington, including four ex-commissioners of patents, have signed charges against the firm of Wedderburn & Co., and filed them with the postoffice department for conducting a fraudulent business, and asking that a fraud order be issued by the postoffice department against Wedderburn & Co., and that the *National Recorder*, a paper published by them, be shut out of the mails for fraud.

How much those who were saying a few days ago how strong the opposition in the House was to the bill authorizing President McKinley to call a monetary conference or to appoint delegates to one called in any other country, knew about the state of feeling towards the bill, may be inferred from the vote by which it was passed, 279 to 3.

Senator Barrows believes, notwithstanding the address issued by the Silver Republicans last week and the positive assertion of Senator DuBois to the contrary, that they will vote with the Republicans for the tariff bill. Speaking on the subject Mr. Barrows said: "I have every reason to believe that while these gentlemen have announced themselves as silver Republicans, they will co operate with their colleagues of the Republican party on this line, and when we have secured such legislation as will supply the treasury with necessary revenue for government support, it will be time enough to take up the silver question. I suppose this proclamation of the silver party has reference more particularly to the campaign of 1900 and I confidently believe that before that time the country will be in such a state of prosperity that the silver question will not be able to engage to any extent the attention of the public."

There was a general feeling of relief when it was announced that the Senate committee on public lands, had, after investigating the matter, reported that the land patent issued to Mr. Perrine, the step father of Mrs. Cleveland, was issued in accordance with the law and precedents controlling such matters.

Representative Murray's request for an investigation of the last election in South Carolina has been referred to the next House as an important matter demanding the consideration of Congress.

HOT STUFF FROM THE SOUTH.

Never before in the history of the country has such an infamous policy been cast away as that which has turned the stomach of Fitz Hugh Lee and disgusted every honest and patriotic American. Never before in the history of the country has the Americans name been brought to so low a state abroad. Never before have the interests of A - erieans been placed in the hands of the emissaries of foreign governments. This is the price the people have to pay for the thing called Clevelandism. —Atlanta Constitution (Dem.).

CLEVELAND'S IDEA OF CIVIL SERVICE.

The New York Times, a newspaper which is run on theory, says that the first duty of Senator Wolcott on his return to Washington will be to present to President McKinley a petition signed by 6,000 Republicans of Colorado, praying him to rescind the order by which President Cleveland has extended the merit system to some 60,000 places." The theoretical newspaper calculates that as McKinley received 26,000 votes in Senator Wolcott's misguided State, it would seem that about one in five of the Republicans wants a chance at the offices.

To refer to President Cleveland's order as the "extension of the merit system" is something exquisitely delicious when it is remembered that it was only after Republicans had been turned out by the wholesale and Democrats given their places that we heard anything about the "merit system" from him. Why doesn't the Times tell the whole truth? Why doesn't it acknowledge that the object of this order was to retain in place 60,000 Democrats who are not there on "merit" by any means, or even by examination, but are there by partisan appointment and principally because many of them served in the confederate army?

The great advocate of the "merit system" adds:

"Had not Mr. Cleveland taken the 60 000 offices out of politics and opened the vacancies in them to free competition on the basis of tested merit, the time and strength consumed in distributing them would be a most serious drawback to public business. Even if Mr. McKinley were not convinced of the soundness of the merit system, he would be profoundly grateful to Mr Cleveland for giving him the right to refer all beggars for offices to the examiners of the civil service commission."

How kind of President Cleveland to attend to 60,000 "beggars" himself, and all in the interest of President McKinley's peace of mind. Here is philanthropy for you!

Now, the theory of civil service reform is commendable, but we do not believe that it ever entered the plan of any genuine civil service reformer to fill all the offices from one party, and then, and not until then, to close the doors. When President Cleveland went into office he found a civil service which had been gradually extended, a service in which, under President Harrison, there was something like fair treatment. The civil service law never contemplated the wholesale grabbing of offices by a political party. President Harrison might have filled every department not under civil service rules with Republicans, and then by a stroke of the pen extended the law to apply to them. But he left that for President Cleveland to do. Young Josiah Quincy of Boston, went into the State department as first assistant, and in a short time out of the heads of *eighty per cent.* of the Republicans in the consular service. He immediately filled these places with Democrats of a partisan type, and many of them had fought in the confederate army. The *civil service* was lavoked Boke Smith cut a wide swath through the Interior department and turned out ex-union soldiers wherever he could find them and honored the southern soldiers. Then *the executive order* protected them. The treasury department became an open scandal. In the secret service branch of that department there is but one Republican employed to-day, yet President Harrison left that branch equally divided between the two parties. In one of the auditing offices alone there were 200 employes when Carlisle took hold, and one-fifth of *them had* served in the Union army. Within one year all but four of these veterans had been discharged, or had had their salaries decreased, while the ex confederates were invited in to a magnificent feast. Then we heard of civil service reform.

We would like to ask the New York Times whether this sort of business is what it calls the "extension of the merit system?" If this is its idea of civil service reform we want none of it. In our humble opinion President Cleveland's extension of the civil service law has amounted to a whole-sale raid conducted openly upon the spoils system plan, the sole object being to fill every possible office with a Democrat, and then, by the "extension of the merit system," to retain him there for life. It was unjustifiable to extend this law to 60,000 officeholders at once, and it would be but common justice if this order could be suspended long enough to fill half of these offices, at least, with Republicans.

We believe in civil service reform when justly and properly administered, but it is neither just nor proper to grab everything in sight for one party, and call that indefensible grab the "extension of merit system." Rather, it is hypocritical highway robbery, and it is the highway robbery system that the New York Times, with its blind theories, is advocating.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

MR. LINCOLN once said: "If ever this free people, if this government itself, is ever entirely demoralized, it will come from this incessant human wriggle and struggle for office, which is but a way to live without work." This is a far better speech on civil service than the one Gen. Grosvenor made a few days ago.—Globe-Democrat.

LAST Wednesday the House of Representatives passed the immigration bill over the President's veto by a tremendous majority.

Cash Register and Safe for sale cheap Inquire of DR. RUSH CHADWICK.

GENUINE improvement in business does not come with a rush like the breaking of a great dam. The growth for some weeks past has been most encouraging, because in nearly all lines it has been gradual and moderate. The rupture of the steel rail and other combinations in the iron business has brought out a vast quantity of trade which had been held back, and has set many thousand men at work, while the slow but steady gain in other great industries has given employment to many thousand more, but the full effects will not appear until the increased purchases by all these swell the distribution of goods. This comes more slowly and later, but is already apparent. Certainty regarding the future will help it mightily and is by multitudes expected with strong hope. Meanwhile it is substantial ground for confidence that months which were regarded by many in the money market with *serious apprehension* have passed without disturbance, and with steady gain in the position of the country and of the treasury.—Dun.

OUR Congressman, C. W. Stone, will please accept thanks for favors rendered.

There are so small that the most sensitive persons take them, they are so effective that the most obstinate cases of constipation, headache and torpid liver yield to them. That is why DeWitt's Little Early Risers are known as the famous little pills. A. W. Colegrove, Sweetport, A. E. Stickles, East Smethport.

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Administrator's Sale.

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF THE Orphan's Court of McKean county, bearing date the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1897, I will expose at public sale, at the Court House, in the borough of Smethport, McKean county, Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, the 30th day of March, A. D. 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m. the following described real estate, situate, lying and being in the township of Eldred, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

1st. Beginning at a beech tree standing on the west bank of the Allegany river and in the south line of Warrant No. 1178, as established by a re-survey, and being part of said Warrant; thence west sixty-seven (67) rods to a post; thence north eighty (80) rods to a post; thence east ninety-six (96) rods to the bank of the Allegheny river; thence up the same by the several courses and distances thereof to the place of beginning. Containing forty and three-fourths (40¾) acres strict measure, be the same more or less. Being the same land conveyed to the said Anson R. Fowler by William K. King and wife, by deed bearing date the twenty-ninth day of August, A. D. 1885, and recorded in Deed Book "K," page 432, McKean county records. Improved and having thereon 1 two story frame house, 2 frame barns, good orchard, well and usual outbuildings.

2nd. Beginning in the west line of the Montgomery lands at a corner of lot No. 186; thence west 62 perches to a corner; thence south 64.2 perches to a corner; thence east 62 perches to the Montgomery line; thence north 64.2 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 24.9 acres, be the same more or less, and being lot No. 62 of the allotment of the bearing lands in Eldred township and part of Warrant No. 3860. And being the same lands conveyed to Anson R. Fowler by Byron D. Hamlin and wife, by deed bearing date the 12th day of August, A. D. 1885, and recorded in Deed Book Vol. 7, page 236, McKean county records. Unimproved.

3rd. Beginning at about the northeast corner of lands contracted to Oscar and Alson Carpenter, lot No. 224; thence west one hundred and twenty (120) perches to a post the northwest corner of same; thence north forty five and two-tenths (45.2) perches to a post the northeast corner of lot No. 61, contracted to Alson Carpenter; thence east thirty-seven and five-tenths (37.5) perches to a post the southwest corner of lot No. [illegible] contracted to W. L. Butler; thence south eighty-seven (87) perches to the place of beginning. Containing fifty-nine and seven-tenths (59.7) acres strict measure, be the same more or less, and being lot No. 214 of the Keating allotment of lands in said township, and part of Warrant No. 3857. Excepting and reserving out of this grant all the petroleum, oil and gas and other minerals existing or being in or under the same with the usual rights of mining and carrying away the same. Being the same land conveyed to A. R. Fowler by Frank H. Gouldy and wife by deed bearing date the 22nd day of June, A. D. 1895, and recorded in Deed Book Vol. 44, page 99, McKean county records. Unimproved.

4th. Also all the right, title and interest of the said Anson R. Fowler in and to a certain contract dated the 1st day of June, 1895, between Byron D. Hamlin and the said Anson R. Fowler for the purchase of thirty-five acres of land, being lots Nos. 81 and 228 in the township of Eldred, and part of Warrant No. 3860, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a post the northeast corner of land conveyed to R. A. Rice lot No. 123; thence east 20 perches to a post corner in the Montgomery line; thence south 80 perches to a post corner; thence west 70 perches to a post the southeast corner of lot No. 124; thence north 80 perches to the place of beginning. On the contract there is due as purchase money the sum of $315.37 with interest from June 1st, 1895. Unimproved.

5th. Also all the right, title and interest of the said Anson R. Fowler in and to a certain contract dated the 28th day of November, 1895, between H. A. Coates and W. R. Coates and E. S. Hudson for the purchase of an eighth of an acre of land in the borough of Eldred, which contract was assigned by the said E. S. Hudson to the said A. R. Fowler on December 1st, 1895, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning in the center of Main street in the village of Eldred in the center of a lot conveyed to E. Dennis and wife to said parties of the first part; thence running south along said street to the south line of said lot; thence west on said line to western line; thence north to the place of beginning. On this contract there is due purchase money the sum of about thirty dollars. Improved and having thereon 1 two story and basement frame house, 1 frame barn and usual outbuildings.

6th. Also the legal title to all that piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the township of Eldred, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the southeast corner of a lot conveyed to William E. Moses (No. 260); thence south seventy-eight (78) perches to a corner; thence east thirty (30) perches to a corner; thence south one hundred and seven and one-tenth (107.1) perches to a corner in the north line of No. 235; thence west sixty (60) perches to a corner in the east line of No. 258 (F. B. Woodard); thence north thirty-four (34) perches to the northeast corner of the same; west twenty-eight and two-tenths (28.2) perches to a corner in the southeast line of Reuben A. Carey for No. 207; thence north by said east line seventy-three and one-tenth (73.1) perches to the northeast corner of said No. 207; thence west fifty-four and seven-tenths (54.7) perches to the east line of 279; thence north by said east line twenty-four and three-tenths (24.3) perches to the northeast corner of the same; thence west forty-seven and one-tenth (47.1) perches to the southeast corner of No. 309; thence north by east line of said No. 309 fifty-three and seven tenths (53.7) perches to the northeast corner of the same; thence east one hundred and sixty (160) perches to the place of beginning. Containing one hundred and twenty-three acres, being lots Nos. 229 and 276 in Warrant No. 3858 of the allotment of Keating lands in said township. Being the same land conveyed to Anson R. Fowler by A. N. Taylor and wife, by deed bearing date the 31th day of December, A. D. 1874, and recorded in Deed Book "P," page 358, McKean county records.

Subject however to the following described tract of land which was conveyed out of the above tract of land by Anson R. Fowler and wife to Philetus L. Harris by deed bearing date the 1st day of January, 1895, and recorded in Deed Book Vol. 18, page 234, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a post the southwest corner of lands of A. M. Benton, lot No. 318; thence west 60 perches to a post the northwest corner of land contracted to P. Harris, lot No. 245; thence north 34 perches to a post the northeast corner of land conveyed to F. B. Woodward, lot No. 276; thence west 36.2 perches to a post the southeast corner of land contracted to T. T. Carpenter, lot No. 207; thence north 13 perches to a post the northwest corner of land hereby conveyed; thence a little north of east 40 rods to a post in A. M. Benton's west line, lot No. 318; thence south 47 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 25 acres strict measure, being in Warrant 3858. This land was contracted to E. Hukes and C. F. White June 20th, 1894, by Anson R. Fowler and is sold subject to the said contract.

Terms of sale: One fourth cash down and the balance on confirmation of sale and delivery of deed.

R. J. FOWLER,

Administrator of the estate of Anson R. Fowler, deceased.

T. F. RICHMOND, Atty. 7-3t.

An Ordinance

REPEALING AN ORDINANCE RELATING to the laying out and opening of a new street, to be called Willow street.

Be it ordained and enacted by the Burgess and Town Council of the borough of Smethport, McKean county, Penna., and it is hereby ordained and enacted by authority of the same, that the ordinance relating to the laying out and opening of a new street, to be called Willow street, which reads as follows:

Be it ordained and enacted by the Burgess and Council of the borough of Smethport, McKean county, Penn., and it is hereby ordained and enacted by authority of the same, that a new street be ordered and laid out and opened as follows, to-wit:

Said street shall be thirty-four feet in width and shall be called Willow street, and the center line of which street shall be located as follows: Beginning at an iron-post standing in the center of Nelson street 154 rods north from a stone in the center of Bank and Nelson streets; thence running west to Mechanic street and that said street shall be opened for public use. Passed the 14th of Dec., 1896.

Be and the same is hereby repealed.

Passed Feb'y 8, 1897.

FRANK KERR, President.

Attest:

A. T. PALMER, Secretary.

Approved Feb'y 10, 1897.

6-3t F. W. BROWNELL, Burgess.

Notice.

Margaret M. Darrison, by her next friend, Joseph Chase of Pittsford, vs. Oliver H. Darrison. In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county. No. 14, Feb. term, '97.

To Oliver H. Darrison, the Respondent above named:

Please take notice, that an application for divorce has been made in the above case upon the allegation that you by personal abuse and indignities to the person of the libellant, have rendered her condition intolerable and life burdensome, and compelled her to withdraw from your house. By reason of your default in entering an appearance, the case has been referred to me as Master. I have fixed the 25th day of March, 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m., as the time and my office, No. 11 Main street, in the city of Bradford, Pa., as the place for the taking testimony in the case, when and where you may attend.

S 5t D. D. JACK, Master.

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LETters of Administration on the estate of Owen E. Haven, late of Keating township, McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to D. J. Haven, residing in Keating township, said county, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment at once, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

D. J. HAVEN,

Administrator.

P. O. Address,

Smethport, Pa.—March 5, '97—6-3t

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LETters of Administration on the estate of Ira A. Gleason, late of Smethport, McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to M. G. Gleason, residing in Smethport, said county, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment at once, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

M. G. GLEASON,

Administrator.

Jan 22, 1897.—3-t.

NOTICE.

To Commissioners and supervisors of McKean and adjoining counties. I am now prepared to furnish iron and steel bridges of any size or duplicate any bridge, or do iron work and complete entire structure. Will furnish plans and specifications on application.

A. KELLEY, Contractor,

6-3t. Smethport, Pa.

Wanted—An Idea Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their $1,800 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

Cohn Brothers, BRADFORD, PA.

Cohn Brothers, BRADFORD, PA.

Stock-taking Time

Now on hand. It is our custom before taking our annual inventory to place on special sale all remaining winter stuffs at greatly reduced prices. Every article has been made to feel the purse of quick selling and whether it be a pair of woolen hose or a fur jacket you may feel assured that the knife suffer both alike.

The old Price and the new Price are in plain figures—One Price.

Dress Goods.

No matter how a city goods store is judge your judgment is based upon their dress goods department.

We claim to carry one of the finest and best selected stocks in our city. In medium priced goods we aim at quality and newness of weaves.

In our high class novelties we carry extensive patterns, confined to us alone.

Lot all wool cheviots, cashmeres and novelties in choice colorings, formerly selling upwards 50c. Inventory price 24c

Scotch novelties, silk and wool plaids; all this season's choice styles, 50 and 52 inches wide. Some formerly sold as high as 90c. Inventory price 48c

Send for samples.

Silk Clearance.

Evening silks and rich novelties in colors and blacks, and all broken lines of such grade and medium priced silks all on one table which will insure their speedy sale previous to new story.

Dark and medium colored fancy silks all very choice designs. Especially adapted for waists, etc. Inventory price 58c

Send for samples.

Corsets.

Lot of corsets made by some of the best makers; broken sizes; mostly large, several colors and shapes; one of the grandest bargains ever offered. Some formerly selling as high as $1.50. Inventory price 35c

These will not last long and would advise an early attendance to secure one.

Yarns.

We carry all colors and shades of one of the best makes in the market.

To close lot of odd colors in Germantown Knitting Yarns we will place on sale about 50 skeins—brown, blue cardinal, red tan, etc, formerly selling as high as 10c. Inventory price 5c

Cloaks.

Previous to stock-taking we have made tremendous reductions in all our Jackets and Capes.

Imported Irish Frieze Jackets, satin faced, inlaid velvet collar, straight button fronts and tailor made, reduced from $10 to $6

Embroidered Plush Capes trimmed in Thibet for well lined and finished reduced from $7.50 to $4.98

COHN BROTHERS,

20 Main St. BRADFORD, PA.

OLMSTED BROS.

Come and see the new goods that came in this week.

Ladies'

Neckties
Collars and Cuffs
Shirt Waists
Pocket Books
Umbrellas
Hosiery
Handkerchiefs
Corsets.

Mens'

Hats and Caps
Collars and Cuffs
Neckties
Shirts
Pants
Overalls
Jackets
Hosiery
Umbrellas
Pocket Books
Suspenders.

Staples.

Carpet
Oil Cloth
Linoleum
Calico
Gingham
Muslin
Lace
Embroidery
Lace Curtains
Window Shades
Toweling
Queensware.

Boys'

Hats and Caps
Neckties
Collars and Cuffs
Shirts
Knee Pants
Suits
Waists
Suspenders.

BICYCLES

$45.00 not $85.00

"We have them to sell." $45.00 cash will buy a wheel which was manufactured to sell for $85.00, but the company manufactured a great many more than their finance could stand, therefore they were compelled to sell at a sacrifice price. We got a snap and will give you a snap, but you must snap at once as we can not get any more bargains like this.

The Variety Store,

OLMSTED BRO'S, Proprietors,

Reilly Block. SMETHPORT, PA.

PALACE PHARMACY.

Under the new management the store will be stocked with a new and complete line of

Drugs, Patent Medicines,

Toilet Articles, Perfumes, Soaps, Brushes, &c.

Parties in need of a TRUSS or EYE GLASSES will be greatly benefitted by giving us a call. As our stock is very large we will close them out at reduced prices.

BURG CHADWICK, M. D., Prop.,

Smethport, Penna.

Having decided to hold a two weeks' sale on all our goods, we want to do so before the Millinery season begins. Commencing on

Monday, March 1st,

We will sell all our best Indigo calicoes at 4c, regular 6c. Silver greys and all our other best prints at the same price. Best apron gingham at 4 1-2c. Sea Island Percales at 10c. The best English Flannelettes at 8c. Good unbleached muslin at 4c.; and other goods too numerous to mention at the same low figure.

Call and see how far a little money will go.

We also have some new dress goods in single patterns, no two alike, which are very desirable for new Spring Suits. Remember these low prices will only last two weeks.

Mrs. T. D. Nash

Smethport, Pa., Feb. 24th, 1897.

ANDREWS & CONKLING. ANDREWS & CONKLING.

Are You Thinking OF MARRIAGE?

Marriage is a serious question to most people. There is no need of worry and trouble in deciding what to buy if you only come to the "BIG STORE." This is a place where you can feel certain of fair and honest treatment, a good honest dollar's worth of value every time.

We make special efforts and prices to please all new or "old" married couples. No matter how large or how small a purchase, do not fail to write us for prices or samples.

We Want Your Trade

and are coming after it with lowest prices, best values and honorable treatment.

We pack and ship all goods free of charge, and sew all carpets free.

Our new goods are coming in for spring, and we show styles not found elsewhere. Our stock comprises a full line of Furniture, Wall Paper, Carpets, Rugs, (all sizes) Draperies, Lace, Chenille and Tapestry Curtains, Mattings, Linoleums, Oil Cloths, Window Shades, Baby Carriages, Brass and Iron Beds, Etc.

Whatever you want in House-furnishings do not fail to inspect our store before buying. Our agent will be in Smethport about March 25th with a fine line of samples.

Your presence is requested whether you want to buy or not.

ANDREWS & CONKLING.

127-128 UNION ST., OLEAN, N. Y.

"Busy Olean's Busiest Store."

BRADFORD'S GREAT DEPARTMENT STORE.

Most of the things you buy—save food and clothes—are sold here. Most of our customers wish that we sold the other lines, too.

Each line line is a store in itself, in charge of a store-keeper. The cheapness comes in handling them all under one roof and one management. Not another store that you know of us so well equipped to buy low and sell low as this store. Not another store does it.

$19.50 Sewing Machines.

We sell Demorest's latest $55 machine for $19.50 cash. Come and see the machine. There isn't a better one on the market.

Horse Goods.

Blankets in over 40 styles at $1.00 and up.

Single Harness, rubber trimmed as low as $18.00.

Everything a horse needs sold lower than other stores.

China.

Dinner sets in 35 styles from $6 up.

Haviland's newest Dinner Sets as low as $25 00.

Open stock Dinner Sets—you can buy by the piece.

Toilet sets begin at $2.25.

Glass.

Tumblers in about every style manufactured—40c. per doz. up.

Glassware for the table.

Cut Glass of American and foreign makes—sold one third less than the usual cut glass prices.

$3.00 Portable Stoves.

Powerful Reliable Gas Heaters always needed. Good to fill in with in winter, and for cool evenings in Summer.

Ranges.

The greatest range on the market is the Reliable. We have several other ranges in stock, so we can readily show you the difference.

Paint.

We sell Rubber Paint in 20 colors. Lasts years longer than common paint anywhere.

Watches.

Most jewelry stores charge a third more for watches than we do. All watches one here.

L. EMERY, JR., & CO.,

EMERY & WEAVER. Bradford, Pa.

Mention the *Miner* when writing or calling.

1897! JANUARY SALE. 1897!

The saying is "wait *until* after the Holidays and you can buy goods much cheaper," and now the time has come, We propose to close out some of our line of Winter Goods, and if price will do it they will certainly go.

The weather has been mild and so it has been bad for wool underwear and if you want a bargain in this line we have got them. And the same on all wool goods

Our Shoe Department is up to date but we have collected together a line in Ladies' and Misses' which we are bound to let go and if you are in the need or if you do not need them at present it will be your benefit to call, for the price will be so low you can't help but purchase. Now we mean what we say; do not go to the city looking for bargains when you can get them right here at home. During the next 60 days we will give you special prices on all goods through the entire store.

Yours for Bargains,

D. C. YOUNG,

SMETHPORT, PA.

Goods Sold Will be for Cash.

F. G. Lindholm & Co.

1897 Spring 1897

We invite you to call on

Monday, March 1st,

when we will be prepared to shew you the pick of the

New Creations

for

Dainty Summer Wear.

F. G. Lindholm & Co.

GENERAL MERCHANTS,

Smethport, Pa.

Feb 25, 1897.

Mention the *Miner* when writing or calling.

Remodeled

Sky light in Gleason's Gallery has recently been changed giving better north light.

A New Lens

has also been added. This is an imported lens and is one of the best manufactured. Sure to give better satisfaction than ever here.

GLEASON, The Photographer,

Smethport, Pa.

McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

SMETHPORT, FRIDAY, MCH. 5, 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Lenten season commenced last Wednesday.

—A mandolin and guitar club is being organized in this place.

—Mrs. Ed Daly has been somewhat indisposed for a few days.

—Umbrellas will be worthy imitators as they invariably keep lent.

—*Nose Jolility Company* at the opera house next Monday night.

—Herbert Bard has accepted a position in the store of J. Colegrove.

—Leonard Hill of Eldred has been granted an additional pension.

—The Smethport band is about $50 winner on the dance held last week.

—There are 14 star boarders in Castle Davis. Before court there were 27.

—D. L. Haven has been appointed administrator of the estate of the late O. E Haven.

—Emil Thamm is now prepared to mount birds and animals in the best possible manner.

—Harry Chase of the Democrat force has moved into rooms over M. L. Armstrong's store.

—Mrs. Edward Rungerford has been confined to the house for several days with tonsilitis.

—Lost, an old fashioned brass latch key. Finder please leave at this office and receive reward.

—March came in with a great blaster, the thermometer registering 4 degrees below zero last Monday.

—Mrs. James A. McKean has been having an attack of grip for a few days, but is better at this writing.

—Hayes Heath of Eldred has quite a large class, in this borough, of pupils on string and wind instruments.

—Baby McKee's house is evidently out of joint, since there is few joy in the household of ex-President Harrison.

—The Cosmopolitan has published a fine cut of Hon. T. A. Morrison this week together with a short sketch of his life.

—Mrs. Orcivilla Ostrander has been confined to the house for a few days with a severe attack of inflammation of the bowels.

—We hope the council will succeed in securing the services of a capable and efficient man for the position of street commissioner.

—Dr. F. C. Pierce, our popular dentist, is painting, papering and otherwise decorating his dental parlors. Will be ready for business in a day or two.

—Rev. Joseph Dennis of Olean joined in wedlock at that place last Thursday Miss Edith Lockwood of Limestone and George Bulow of Duke Centre.

—County Commissioner Lemuel Davis has been suffering with a severe attack of the grip at the Wright House for a few days, but is gradually improving.

—The Bradford postoffice will be furnished with new furniture, repainted and papered throughout, says the Star, and then the employees will put on style.

—The little daughter of Olaf Hector of King street died Thursday, Feb 25, aged nearly 2 months. The funeral was held last Saturday. Interment in Rose Hill cemetery.

—The Nose Jollities in "The Kodak" will be the attraction at the opera house next Monday evening. This company is a good one and will undoubtedly draw a large house.

—The following letters remain in the Smethport postoffice for the week ending *Feb. 27.* Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised:" L. S. Baker, H. C. Johnson.

—Our old friend Nelson Holmes of Ceryden sent us word yesterday by Comrade Ryan that he had a rig up and was going to start a drill for oil or China. May success crown his efforts.

—It is now Burgess L. K. Hogarth. He was sworn in last Monday night and delivered an able inaugural address. It is to be hoped the new mayor will advocate better lighting of our streets.

—The many friends of C. E. Sprague in this place will be glad to learn that he is engaged in a lucrative business in San Antonio, Texas. That "Bob" may live long and prosper is the wish of all.

—J. A. Holder has a new advertisement in this week's issue. Mr. Holder has recently opened a store in the opera house block where you can procure fresh groceries at low prices. Give him a trial.

—Emil Lindberg and Emma Gustafson of Kane were granted a marriage license Feb 25. James Mack of Clermont aged 30 years and Mary Bagen of Sartwell were granted a marriage license Feb. 25.

—Be sure that you read the change in the advertisement of J. Colegrove. This popular store has a well known reputation for fair dealing and low prices. If you buy anything at Colegrove's its all right. Give him a call.

—Iva Elvira, the infant daughter of G W. Rees of Coryville, died of whooping cough Feb 27, aged 15 months. The funeral was held at Coryville, Monday last, Rev. Bennett of Farmers Valley conducting the services.

—After three days and nights of continued storm Old Sol came out in all his glory yesterday to welcome the incoming administration of President McKinley. May it prove a harbinger of peace and prosperity to the nation.

There is no question as to Barney G——'s guilt in stealing the pantaloons, as it has been found out where he purchased the glue and who bought it for him when he cut off the legs and made them of the proper length.

—The Clinton Republican, one of the newsiest weeklies in the West Branch valley celebrated its 38th birthday last Wednesday by coming out in an enlarged form and head new dress. May the Republican live long and prosper.

—There will be quite a large delegation of Masons from Olean next Wednesday night to visit our lodge here. It is to be hoped that all who can will attend the meeting of the lodge. Supper will be served to members and visiting guests.

—Andrews & Conkling of Olean have a new advertisement this week, in which they offer some extraordinary inducements to the public. You cannot afford to miss reading their adv. as the goods are the best and their prices surprisingly low.

—Judge Watling of Erie recently sentenced a boy's thief to ten years and one month, solitary confinement in the penitentiary. In the course of his remarks the judge said that in his opinion it was as heinous a crime as stealing a horse.

—Col. John Irvin died at his home in Curwensville on Monday of last week of appoplexy aged 68 years. Col Irvin will be remembered by many of the old vets who were members of the famous old 149th regiment of which Col. Irvin was commander.

—David Herr of Lock Haven has secured a patent on a thread cutting machine to be used for iron pipes and bolts. The machine will cut either a right or left handed thread. This machine will prove of great advantage to blacksmiths and plumbers.

—Our popular commissioners' clerk, S. D. Weaver, was quite busy the first of the week moving into the old Brownell residence on State street. The MINER with a host of friends welcomes Mr and Mrs Weaver and hopes their sojourn among us may be very pleasant.

—The Temple Quartette were in Binghampton recently. Miss Alice McCoy heard them during an entertainment and she does not hesitate to pronounce them the best she has heard in a long time. Do not fail to hear these famous musicians to-morrow night.

—Mrs. Julius Kromel of Clermont presented her husband last week with a lovely type writer. Mother and child are doing well, but the father has not been able to step squarly on the earth since. There are hopes that he will regain his equilibrium in time.

—Your attention is respectfully directed to the two advertisements of Dr. F. C. Pierce which appear in this issue, one of them relating to bicycles and the other to dentistry. It will be well worth your while to read both as the Doctor knows all about these matters.

—The Potter Enterprise has moved into the commodious rooms over Armstrong's store on Second street, Coudersport, and Butterworth being right under the eyes of the Goddess of Justice is publishing a better paper than ever, if such a thing were possible. Success to you Will.

—The fastest long distance run was made on Feb 15 between Chicago and Denver, Col. The total distance is 1,026 miles which was made in 18 hours and 52 minutes or 1,133 minutes. This is remarkable time when it is taken into consideration that 118 miles of the distance was a heavy grade.

—A sermon to railroad men will be given by Rev. T. R. Taylor at the union service in the M. E. church, Sunday evening, March 7, the national "Railway Men's Day," in the W. C. T. U. Every man connected with railroads is especially invited to attend with his family and friends. All are invited.

—Last Tuesday morning Sheriff J. F. Davis in company with his brother, Z. T. Davis as deputy, started for Allegheny with seven prisoners. One of them, Fred Belmont, will go to the Huntington reformatory. Chas. Spreetor of Bradford went as special deputy to assist in getting them through all right.

—Where will the bicycle fad end. It is reported that a trans-Atlantic steamer has been ordered that will be longer than the Great Eastern by 11 feet, or its total length will be 704 feet and will contain a bicycle path of four laps to the mile. Passengers can enjoy the exhilarating sport of riding their wheels while crossing the herring pond.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burdick of Keating township were made supremely happy one day last week by the appearance of a little stranger of the feminine gender that sought shelter and a home at their domicile. Being charitably inclined the little stranger's wishes were complied with and now there is great rejoicing at that homestead.

—William Fleming, an old man of South Olean, was shot last Tuesday near his residence by a couple of toughs known as Arthur Slatter of Salamanca and Arthur Parker of Olean. The weapon used was a 22 calibre revolver. The bullet hit the old man just below the eye, causing a dangerous wound. The would be murderers are in the lock-up.

—The new council met and organized last Monday night. D. C. Young was elected president, A. T. Palmer, secretary and F. D Gallup, treasurer. A. T. Palmer was appointed a member of the council to fill the vacancy caused by the tie vote at the last election. The council will hold a meeting next Monday night to appoint a street commissioner.

—Last Friday while Joseph Schrader was felling timber for Geo. Stiles on the L. Bayer job, he met with an accident which caused his death. He was cutting down a large tree in which another tree was lodged. When the tree fell he in some manner became dazed or excited and ran under the leaning tree and was crushed to the earth, the tree striking him across the left shoulder. Although there was no abrasion of the skin, or bones broken he soon breathed his last. Schrader was a young man about 26 years of age. He leaves a wife and two small children to mourn his early and sudden departure. The remains were taken to Spring Brook near Buffalo last Saturday for burial.

—Last Wednesday afternoon the Rock Glycerine Co's magazine on the Fassett farm at Wellsville exploded. Fortunately no lives were lost. Considerable damage was done by the breaking of plate glass in the village amounting to several hundred dollars. The shock was so severe that brick structures swayed on their foundations and many people were fearfully frightened.

—About 16 members of the P. H. C. drove to Eldred last Tuesday night and attended the meeting at that place. They were royally entertained with slugging, speech making, etc., and last, but not least, came a banquet in their honor. some ball. Members of this circle speak very highly of P. H. C. at that place and express themselves as being willing to call again at any time.

—A pine tree was recently cut at a lumber job near Brockwayville which was a veritable giant of the forest. The tree, which was forked, was 18 feet in circumference at the butt, and nearly six feet in diameter. Twenty-four good saw logs were cut which scaled 5,846 feet board measure. At $15 a thousand, the market rate for log run plus, the tree will yield $87.69 worth of lumber.—Clinton Republican.

—On Friday night of last week the Misses Scanlon of Colegrove entertained their friends at cards. Five tables were filled. Mr Jno. Bahan and Mrs. M McDade won the two first prizes and Millard Gallup and Mrs. Bert Christley's secured the two "booby" prizes. Mrs Mrs. Christley's comic mirror will scare all the appetite out of any tramp. All agreed that they could not have had a more pleasant evening.

—Edison is a back number. Watt's fame has been surpassed. Steyenson has been relegated to the rear ranks as an inventor and Nansen and the North Pole are matters of secondary interest since Prof. Aldrich of Corydon, this county, surprised the world by solving the problem of perpetual motion. This gentleman is a watchmaker by trade and claims to have constructed a mechanism that will run during eternity or even longer. —Warren Mirror.

—On next Monday evening the Smethport Ladies' Choral Society will meet again in the old Episcopal church. Instructions will be given in dynamics and voice culture. An interesting and instructive paper on singing will be read, after which choruses by Abt, Smart and McKorlie will be practised. About 30 members have been out lled and the next rehersal promises to be extremely interesting. Judging from the good work done last Monday evening some fine performances may be expected from this organization. Let the good work go on. The society will give rates to school girls.

—Last Saturday night about thirty-five Odd Fellows from Smethport Lodge went to Clermont to assist the members of Clermont Lodge in degree work. Some drove and others went up on the train. When all had arrived they went in a body to the hall and were warmly received by the brothers of that place. After work was over a short time was taken up with speech making. The Smethport delegation was then invited to the Bayer House where an elegant repast was awaiting them. Words are inadequate in speaking of this spread. It was simply "out of sight" and Messrs. Boyd & Smith more than sustained their reputation as capital entertainers. Members of this Lodge all feel under obligations to Clermont citizens for their generosity and wait an opportunity to return the compliment.

Nose Jollity Company.

Of the Nose Jollity Company, which appears at Kittredge opera house, Monday March 8, the Hartford Times recently said: "The company is made up of talented musicians, who play on every conceivable instrument and extract music from everything about them. In fact the entire county is interspersed with musical numbers and affords in its entirety an evening of enjoyment heartily entered into by everyone in an audience. This company, larger and better than ever before, is headed as usual by famous original Noses, who have gained a famed reputation as musical artists. In the company is Frank Noss, one of the best delineators of tramp character, before the public. No comunity can lay claim to popularity nowadays without having among its members an exponent of the "Weary Waggles" type, and it is claimed for Mr. Noss that his performance reeks of the Kansas highways and the Jersey byways. The supporting company is remarkably strong, both from a musical and comedy standpoint and includes among its members Miss Mignon Carroll, the peerless soubrette and musical artiste.

Death of Harriett Irons.

Last Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock Mrs. Harriett Irons found relief in death at her home on east Main street, this borough, caused by heart failure, due to chronic bronchitis, from which she has been a sufferer for many years.

Miss Harriett Parker was born in Coryville, this county, Oct. 3, 1811. She was married to William Irons and lived in Keating township until about 1890, when she moved into this borough where she has since resided until death.

Three children survive her, namely: Clinton and Clayton of this borough and Mrs. Allie Hackett of Keating township.

The funeral was held at the residence Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. J Heber McCandless conducting the services. The remains were laid at rest beside those of her son, Frank, who recently preceeded her, in Rose Hill cemetery.

Man Killed at East Kane.

Edward Neustrom, an employe of the James Lumber Co., at East Kane, was instantly killed at that place about 3 o'clock Saturday. How he came to his death is not definitely known. He was found in the yard of the Kane Oil Field Railroad almost cut in two diagonally across the breast having been run over by the cars that were being switched in the yard. He was employed as helper in the blacksmith shop and frequently acted in the capacity of extra brakeman when shorthanded. But Saturday the regular crew was on duty and Neustrom had not been sent out on the train as erroneously reported. He had been in the employ of the company for three years and was one of their most careful and trustworthy men having had considerable experience on trains. He leaves a wife and two children, who reside at East Kane, and who came here from Sweden last July.—Kane Republican.

Ah There!

The last issue of the Pennsylvania Grit contained an excellent cut of James McGuire, the popular host of the Grand Central, the leading hotel of Smethport "Jim" has hosts of friends in this neck-o-the-woods who had no trouble in recognizing his familiar face.—Potter Enterprise.

Card of Thanks.

We, the undersigned, sincerely thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and help in our late sickness and bereavement.

G. W. & A. A. REES.

Coryville, Pa., March 4, 1897.

License petitions for sale at this office.

PERSONAL MENTION.

J. A. McKean visited Mt. Jewett yesterday.

Mrs. D. C. Young visited Olean friends Tuesday.

O. H. Goodell of Olean visited friends in town over Sunday.

J. W. Boston went to Buffalo Saturday to visit his wife over Sunday.

Dist. Attorney Gorton went to Friendship Tuesday on a business mission.

Mrs. T. R. Taylor will return home from Philadelphia to morrow evening.

Hon. Henry Hamlin was transacting business in Syracuse during this week.

W. O. Gallup of Colegrove kindly remembered the MINER office last Friday.

John Heinemann of Colegrove was a very pleasant caller at this office on Monday last.

H. Palmer of Palmerville while in town last Friday made a pleasant call at this office.

County Commissioners Young and Haugh ville transacted business in Bradford yesterday.

Hugh Boyd, the genial boniface of the Bayer House at Clermont, was in town Monday.

Orlo J. Hamlin has been visiting relatives and friends in Geneva, N. Y., for several days.

M. A. Lillibridge of Port Allegany was transacting business in town the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Davis of Bradford were guests of Sheriff Davis and wife last week.

Mrs. Joseph McCarty left for Pittsburg Monday where she will visit relatives and friends.

C. S. King of Port Allegany was over last Saturday. He is carefully nursing a broken rib.

J. C. Stull, a prominent merchant of Farmers Valley, was transacting business in town Tuesday.

L. Herzog of Farmers Valley, lately elected supervisor of Keating township, was in town Monday.

F. N. Taylor, the genial proprietor of the Parker House at Gardeau, was over to the hub the first of the week.

Fred Baker left for his home in Buffalo Saturday last after an extended visit with relatives and friends in this place.

Jacob Hafner, one of Clermont's influential citizens and up-to-date farmers was a most pleasant caller last Friday.

Paul Hamlin started last Monday for Washington where he was an interested spectator at the inaugural ceremonies.

Mrs. William Jones and sister, Miss Bessie Covely went to Johnsonburg last Tuesday for a few days' visit among friends there.

Chas. Dickinson of Norwich was down Saturday last and took the oath necessary to make him a full fledged auditor of Norwich township.

John N. Apple, James A. McKean, G. W. Mitchell and Dr. Burg Chadwick were in Bradford Monday attending the meeting of the county committee.

Judge T. A. Morrison left for Coudersport Monday night to assist Judge Olmstead *during criminal court* this week. There are two very important cases for trial there.

W. D. Gallup and William Haskell of this place and N. C. Gallup of Norwich started last Monday night for Washington to take part in the inauguration ceremonies.

Thomas L. McKean, one of the hustling business men of Wilcox and a brother of our townsmen, James A., and Charles McKean, was a guest at the Grand Central yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Forrest and daughter, Ruth, Mrs. Eugenia Hamlin and daughter, Miss Nettie and Miss Harriett Redfield left yesterday for *St. Augustine, Fla., for an extended visit in that delightful southern clime.*

Patrick Gaynor and John Meisel, the two inseparables of Clermont, and by the way, two of the best road supervisors in northern Pennsylvania, were in town Wednesday transacting business relative to their office. While compliments are in order the MIRROR wishes to compliment the voters of Sergeant township for retaining in office two such capable officials as Mr. Gaynor and Mr. Meisel.

Willis L. Rhodes, contract agent for Messrs. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago, Ill., who handle the Little Early Risers, One Minute Cough Cure, Witch Hazel Salve and other valuable medicines, was a pleasant caller at this office last Wednesday. Mr. Rhodes is a thorough business man and one with whom it it a pleasure to make a contract. *The firm is one of the most reliable* and trustworthy on our large list of advertisers.

Court Proceedings.

Emma Humbert vs. Frederick J. Humbert, application for divorce. John P. Melvin appointed *commissioner to take evidence.*

Hattie Ramsey vs. Homer Ramsey. Rule to show cause why rule should not issue on Herbert to furnish a bill of particulars.

Margaret M. Darrison vs. Oliver H. Darrison. D. H. Jack appointed commissioner.

Nancy Ames vs. B. D. Ames. C. W. Catlin appointed commissioner.

A. M. Beck with vs. Nora Beckwith. S. M. Smith appointed commissioner.

Earl Stahl and Tom Nolan held in the sum of $300 each for their appearance at the next regular term.

Com. vs. P. Devero, larceny. Jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

Com. vs. Arthur Reamer, assault and battery. Jury returned a verdict of not guilty. Prosecutor E. A. Murray held for costs.

Com. vs. Rev. J. S. Warren. Nolle pros granted.

Com. vs. Will and Robert Blake, Earl and Charles Robbins, Ollie Welsh and O. A. Rice all small boys from Eldred held on the charge of larceny. Defendants plead guilty and sentence was suspended until June term. The court gave these boys some very good advice and it is to be hoped that they will heed it and never be caught in such business again.

J. A. Verzon was appointed auditor of Smethport borough to fill the vacancy caused by the election of L. K. Hogarth as burgess.

The court appointed F. L. Smith auditor of Hamilton township.

The famous Dr. Alling and Merle Thompson case was commenced last Wednesday and was stubbornly fought by the counsel for three days. Friday night the case was given to the jury. These gentlemen deliberated over the questions involved until Sunday morning when they finally pronounced the defendants not guilty.

The jury in the Barney Garrity case retired about 11 o'clock Saturday to decide as to wether Garrity stole a pair of pantaloons or not. It took them until Sunday at 4:30 p. m. to agree upon a verdict and they found the defendant guilty in the manner and form indicted. This shows that we are getting a better class of jurymen and that they will hold out for the right even though the matter is trifling.

SENTENCED BY THE COURT.

I. C. Burch, forgery of checks, age 37 years. Sentenced to pay a fine of $100, cost of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary 5 years and 3 months.

Fred A. Van Barager, convicted of perjury in trying to secure a marriage license without securing a divorce from his wife. He is aged 25 years, has a wife and one child. Sentenced to pay a fine of $300, cost of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary for 3 years and 3 months.

William Fox plead guilty to the charge of burglary, age 21 years. Sentenced to pay a fine of $200, cost of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary for 4 years and 3 months.

Fred Belmont and Victor Fredrickson plead guilty to breaking into a house near Clermont and taking therefrom some clothing. Belmont, who is 19 years of age, was sent to the reformatory at Huntington and Fredrickson, who is 25 years of age, was sent to the western penitentiary for 1 year and 3 months. Fredrickson is the first Swede who has been convicted of such an offense in this county and we hope he will be the last.

Anna Barrackman, convicted of selling liquor without a license. Sentenced to pay a fine of $50, cost of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for three months.

Duane Ward, convicted of highway robbery was sentenced to pay a fine of $10, cost of prosecution and imprisonment for 6 years and 3 months in the western penitentiary.

John Lowry plead guilty to the charge of assault and battery on M. N. Allen. Sentence suspended until June term of court. Bail required in the sum of $200 which was furnished by Auditor Cory.

Squire L. B. Reynolds, convicted of keeping a gambling house. Sentence suspended until June term of court.

Barney Garrity, convicted of stealing a pair of pantaloons from Will Foster's hotel at Lewis Run. Sentenced to pay a fine of $50, cost of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary at Allegany for 2 years and 3 months.

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John Shrader, a woodsman, while working in the woods near Bayer's mill, was struck by a limb of a falling tree and instantly killed on Wednesday last. The remains were taken to Holland, N. Y., for burial. Deceased leaves a wife and two children.

Patsy Parks, the 10-year old son of Pat Parks, died on Saturday last of brain fever. Remains were taken to Roseles, Elk Co., for interment on Monday last.

The little four year-old girl of Pat McCarty was playing by the stove when in some way her clothing caught on fire and had it not been for the timely assistance of a neighbor's boy she would have been burned to death. She was badly burned but is getting better at this writing.

Quite a large delegation of Odd Fellows from Smethport visited Clermont Lodge on Saturday last and participated in the drill work, after which they were treated to a splendid supper in the Bayer House by Clermont Lodge.

Our Justice court is kept quite busy these days, as our justice is frequently awakened from his slumbers and called to his office to administer justice.

John F. Keating has his boiler fired up and can now pump the water out of the mines in good shape, and can also work the mines to good advantage.

ANNIN CREEK.

Charlie Hodges was in Olean last week.

Clarence Tubbs was over from Derrick City last week.

C. Holcomb is visiting in this place at present.

Mrs. Timmy Barton visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith recently.

Mrs. George Benson of Coudersport visited her sister, Mrs. C. H. Holcomb Monday. Mrs. Holcomb is very low with consumption.

T. A. Stuart was down from Liberty, Monday.

MT. ALTON.

Mrs. Luke of Gaffey is visiting S. S. Washburn.

Miss Kathryn McCartan has left for Bradford to visit her people.

Rev. G. H. Crocker was in Bradford on business this week.

M. A. Lillibridge of Port Allegany called on S. S. Washburn this week.

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Colegrove School Report.

Following is a report of the Colegrove schools for the month of February

Grammar Room: Per cent of attendance 95½; number enrolled 30.

Those who did not miss a day during the month: Alice Layton, Tillie Ellingfield, Etta Barbour, Theresa Heinemann, Pearl Olmsted, Caroline Putnam, Pearl Green, Barney Benson, Geo. and Sidney Brougham, Abram Davis and Willie Scanlan.

Alice Layton has not missed a day for five months.

Primary Room: Per cent of attendance 89, number enrolled 35.

Those not missing a day during the month: Tillie and Minnie Benson, Nellie Bahan, Norma McGee, Ida Mann, Martha Ritchey, Charles Bonner and Willie Brougham.

The pupils of the grammar room are justly proud of their per cent of attendance since they come from four districts and many of them have a long distance to walk.

The citizens can congratulate themselves upon having a comfortable school building. During the cold weather the rooms were as warm and cheerful as parlors.

Suitable commemorative exercises were held on February 22, and the pupils of the primary room gave evidence of careful training.

J. K. SHADMAN, Principal.

From Cripple Creek.

After the big fire in Cripple Creek, I took a very severe cold and tried many remedies without help, the cold only becoming more settled. After using three small bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, both the cough and cold left me, and in this high altitude it takes a meritorious cough remedy to do any good. —G. B. Henderson, Editor Daily Advertiser. For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

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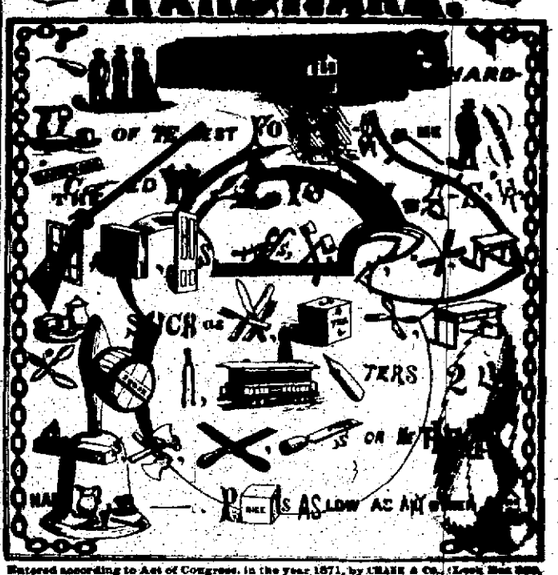

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...ly driven away.

...ment morning Perseverance read the unpardonable announcement that young Mr. Vanderkiss had invented a fantastic gymnasium for the Vanderkiss family on condition of having committed the murder, and that a valuable diver had been given him by a woman's reporter from The Sphinx. Perseverance was famous!

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The most noted trial of the season was that of the adventuress-governess who was convicted of the murder of Mr. Verplanck.

Mrs. Verplanck took a decided interest in the girl who had unwittingly helped to run down the assassin of her husband, and after the trial sent for her one day and said:

"My dear, I am going away from New York. I must leave the scene of my sorrow. I will distract myself by travel. I cannot leave my little boys behind me. I have sent for you to ask you if you will not consent to abandon newspaper work and go with me as my companion and as governess to my sons. We shall be away two years. In that time we shall visit Europe, Egypt and Palestine. Think well of my proposition...I beg, for my heart is set on your going with me."

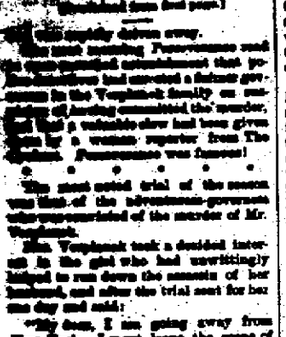
Perseverance was dazed. In fact, of late the girl had seemed to be living in a land of shadows. Events had followed each other so rapidly that at times she felt she was looking on at a pageant moving swiftly before her. To go abroad! To visit the lands of sun and snow of which she had read and dreamed! It could not be possible!

But there sat Mrs. Verplanck, a kindly smile on her sad little face, anxiously awaiting her reply. The girl rose and flung her arms about the lady's neck and burst into tears.

"There, there, child," patting her gently, "that means you will go, I am sure."

"Well, you see in luck," was the universal verdict of the office when it was known that "little Pondleton" was going abroad with the wealthy widow. Everybody from the managing editor down to the office boy congratulated her—everybody save Harold Dunning.

In a suit of rags he beheld, in strict accordance with the prophecy made by his astute friend Mrs. Terry-Town, the girl he loved slipping away from him through his coward, extravagant sine-



Perseverance pried her with questions.

fourth century ideas, he informed himself in the seclusion of his room, he had lost her. She will go abroad, got her head filled with all sorts of nonsense, and what straw will I have when she comes back?" he demanded fiercely of the walls, and getting no satisfactory answer he kicked an inoffensive footstool across the room, jammed his hat down over his eyes and went forth on an antigonostat with a belligerent and mystical air which boded a bad quarter of an hour to the Kansas senator he was to interview.

Perseverance was quick to notice the shadow on Dudlung's face. She was hurt at his coldness and for the few days left before she sailed treated him with icy indifference. This, of course, only made matters worse, and when the day and the hour came for the sailing away of our little heroine among the crowd of her newspaper friends who came to see her off she missed one face, dearer to her than all the others. She stood on deck, the center of a little group, laughingly responding to their good wishes, but biting her lip to keep back the tears. Was it possible he would let her go without coming to say good-by?

The last bell rang. Everybody had gone ashore. The great steamer was shivering like some monster newly wakened to life, when suddenly Perseverance saw him. He came dashing down the pier and tried to cross the gangplank, but was prevented by the guard. He managed to get to the very edge of the pier, and across the strip of green water, fast growing to the breadth of a stream, he flung her a bunch of violets. His young face was sharp with agony. Perseverance never forgot the look he gave her. "My love, my love," she whispered as she kissed the sweet flowers again and again.

Two years later Perseverance came back to New York. In those two years she had matured into a charming, graceful young woman. Travel and constant association with refined people had given her an air of distinction and elegance. Mrs. Verplanck had been very generous with her, and the young woman who stepped ashore in a marvelously fitting Parisian gown looked very unlike the shabby little country girl who came into New York to seek her fortune.

Perseverance's first thought was of Dunning. She longed for a sight of his face—that face which had come between her and contentment—for the pretty American girl had received much flattery and admiration in her travels, and more than once had been offered what the world calls an "advantageous marriage." But her heart was in America. She had heard of Dunning's rapid advance in journalism. He stood now at the head of a prominent evening journal and was reckoned one of the brainiest young men in the profession.

Soon after her arrival Perseverance sent him a note telling him she was with the friend Mrs. Verplanck, and should be glad to see him once more. She was sad not been gone an hour when Perseverance received a letter postmarked at her old country home. It was from a neighbor of her aunt Cynthy Pendleton telling of the dangerous illness of that lady and begging Perseverance to come at once if she would see her relative before she died.

Though Perseverance had not forgotten her aunt's wrathful tongue and unfeeling treatment of herself and her infantile mother, she yet felt it her duty to respond to the letter in person. Yes, she would go and do all she could for the only relative she had. It was, however, with a heavy heart that she made preparations for an immediate departure. If she could only have seen Dunning once!

Shortly after the first train and reached the old homestead in time to see her aunt before she died. The sick woman recognized her and spoke brokenly of "poor mother" and "forgiveness." Perseverance pressed the knotted hands which had never known anything but hard work and spoke kindly and soothingly to the dying woman. A nameless light glowed for a moment in the fading eyes, then vanished. Poor old Aunt Cynthy was dead!

At sunset the next evening Perseverance stood beside her mother's grave. It was overgrown with glossy myrtle leaves. A pale Lamarque rose bloomed at the head, and at the foot swung a cluster of yellow marigolds. From the woods came by fits the tinkle of a cow bell; far down the railroad track sounded the echo of a locomotive's shriek. Above these sounds, a humming, humble, yet glorious hymn over the lonely valley and the quiet little tent growing black in the shadow of the coming night.

Perseverance felt quite alone. She recalled her last look at this low, green mound when the train swept around the hill yonder, bearing her away to a strange new life. How far she had wandered since then, only to come back to lay her last relative beside her mother's grave.

There lay the old farm—here now. From where she stood she could see the meadow where the violets grew thick in the early spring, the stream by which the cowslips lifted their golden heads and the pine trees—her old friends, to whose listening branches she had confided her childish secrets and trials. She longed to go over to them now, fling herself down beneath their solemn shade and tell them all that was oppressing her—all her sorrow, her fears and her loneliness.

The gate leading to the little graveyard clicked behind her. Then a footstep fell upon the mossy turf. Perseverance slowly turned to meet the village gravedigger, who she expected would begin his ghastly task that evening.

But who was this? Not the gravedigger surely—this man hurrying toward her, a glad light in his face, his longing hands outstretched.

Do you know how the birds sing at nightfall in the woods? Suddenly they burst into trills of melody and shook a jubilant chorus from their slender throats. The red sun sank lower and sent back its afterglow to linger lovingly on two radiant, happy faces, and the pale rose of Lancaster bent its stately head in the soft breeze to whisper to the quiet sleeper below: "All's well! Your good, brave, pure little daughter has come into her kingdom."

THE END.

WHO SHALL BE TAXED?

Anti-Quay Men Against Increasing the People's Burden.

A CORPORATION TAX FAVORED.

Quay Leaders Favor Cutting the School Appropriation and Opening the Markets to Oleomargarine—The Treasury Investigation—Business Men's Headquarters Opened—Dairy and Food Investigation.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Harrisburg, Feb. 23.—Increased taxation for the purpose of building a new state capitol building seems to be a certainty, in view of the fact that the attorney general has decided that bonds cannot be issued for the purpose. In view of this fact the interesting question arises, "What shall be taxed, and to what extent?"

The anti-Quay element in the legislature, which has from the beginning set itself against sham reforms and hypocritical investigations, are once more to the front with a series of tax bills which promise to raise the necessary money without adding further burden to the already overtaxed farmer and small property owner. Hon. Ward R. Bliss, of Chester county, one of the most prominent anti-Quay leaders in the senate, has offered these bills, and he has behind him the solid support of the Business Men's League, the friends of Mr. Wanamaker and every member of the legislature who does not wear the Quay collar. Mr. Bliss proposes to tax corporations, foreign insurance companies, inheritances and other sources of wealth by imposing a temporary increase of taxation of one mill on the dollar for a period of three years. He would also impose a tax of one-half cent per gallon upon all malt liquors brewed within the state for a period of three years, and a tax of one cent per gallon upon all foreign beer sold within the state during the same period.

The Those Who Can Pay.

In this way a reduction of the appropriation for the public school fund is avoided, and the cost of building a new capitol is saddled upon individual firms and corporations well able to bear the increased, but temporary burden. This is the plan of the anti-Quay men. It is not, however, the plan of Senator Quay, if he is to be judged by those who represent him.

Senator Quay and his friends are partial to corporations. They are also in favor of reducing the appropriation for public schools, thus increasing the local tax rate in almost every school district in the state. More than this, they are in favor of taxing the poorer class of citizens, instead of the wealthier, that an architectural pile, with more the air of a useless expenditure of money, may rise upon the site of the ruined capitol. On Monday and Tuesday of last week Hon. W. T. Marshall, chairman of the appropriations committee of the house, was with Senator Quay in Philadelphia. When asked by a reporter a day or so after as to how he thought the money for building a new capitol should be raised he made the following reply, which was credited to him in a Philadelphia newspaper of last Thursday:

"I am in favor of reducing the state appropriations to public schools. I do not see any other way of meeting the emergency. I am opposed to an increased tax on corporations, because they are taxed almost to the limit now, and cannot stand an increase. The state charities must be cared for, no matter what emergency arises, and I do not see where any increased revenue can come from that source with affairs in the condition that they are now. The thought came to me today that a tax might be imposed upon certain things that are not taxed at present. Take oleomargarine, for instance. A law could be passed permitting its sale in the state, with a tax levy of one cent per pound. Might that not be worth trying?"

Keeps on the Farmers.

Representative Marshall is a personal friend of Senator Quay and one of his most faithful followers. It was by Senator Quay's orders that he was made chairman of the appropriations committee. It is therefore presumed that he is speaking for Senator Quay when he proposes to cut down the school appropriation. Every farmer and taxpayer in the state knows what a cut in the school appropriation would mean. An instant increase of school taxes all over the state would have to be made to meet the reduction in the state's appropriation. If the latter were cut down $1,000,000 the taxpayers of the state, and the mass of the burdens would fall on those living in country districts, would be called upon to contribute his quota to the deficiency.

But Mr. Marshall, speaking doubtless for Senator Quay, suggests a tax of one cent per pound on oleomargarine, as a means of raising money for building the capitol. This will be interesting reading for the farmers of Pennsylvania. For years they have been sending men to the legislature to enact the most stringent laws against the manufacture and sale of bogus butter in the commonwealth. They have succeeded in a measure in their efforts, and now there steps forth one of the Quay leaders, presumably as the mouthpiece of Senator Quay, with a proposition to render null and void all the efforts of the agriculturalists of the state by admitting the wholesale introduction of bogus butter, and for the purpose of putting a tax of one cent per pound upon the stuff.

Taxing the Workingman.

There is no concealment of the fact that only the poorest classes in the cities and towns in Pennsylvania use oleomargarine, where it is sold under its present restrictions. The man who cannot afford to buy pure butter, by reason of low wages or misfortune, is the individual who patronizes the product of the bogus butter factory. This is the man who would be taxed. The workingman who cannot afford anything better would pay the one cent per pound which the Quay leaders suggest be placed as a tax on oleomargarine. It is calculated that a revenue of $30,000 per month could be raised from this source. It would be $30,000 every month taken from the men and women of the state who could least afford to pay it. The damage to the farmers and dairymen of the state would amount to ten times this revenue every 30 days.

As stated in the letter of last week, the Quay leaders, after vainly trying to "hold up" and render null and void the proposition to place a 2 per cent interest on the state's money deposited in the banks of the commonwealth, have turned in for the measure. Senator Kauffman, the anti-Quay leader in the senate, being the author of the bill, wrote a number of letters to governors of states, inquiring as to whether or not interest on state's deposits were received by their state governments. The Quay leaders in the house and senate heard of Senator Kauffman's movement and they immediately began falling over themselves in their haste to also hear from governors on the same subject. In their effort to rob Senator Kauffman of the credit due him they telegraphed to every point of the compass—and they received replies. In nearly every instance the various states were receiving interests on their moneys at rates ranging from 2 to 4 per cent.

These telegrams were published in some of the daily papers with a great flourish of trumpets. And yet Senator Quay and his friends had to wait until a business man insisted on this 2 per cent rate of interest before they moved a finger. It is generally known now that the sole purpose of the state treasury investigation is to let down easily the Quay leaders who opposed the 2 per cent interest on state deposits. The committee will report in favor of an interest on state's deposits. Just carry this prediction in your mind, dear reader.

The Treasury Investigation.

The greatest farce that Harrisburg has seen in the past half dozen years is the alleged investigation of the treasury. As pointed out last week, it is being conducted by a picked committee of Senator Quay's friends.

The utmost care is taken that nothing dangerous is asked the witnesses. All of the questions are prepared and type written in advance, and two men, Lytle and Huntingdon, the most subservient of Senator Quay's followers, and Senator Brown, of Philadelphia, call off these questions while the rest of the committee sit silently by. The treasury books will be found to be all right.

Exposing Alleged Crookedness.

The sensation of the past week was the exposure of some alleged corruption in the department of the dairy and food commissioner. It is only the beginning, so it is said, of a wholesale exposure which will be of the most vital importance to every dairyman and agriculturalist in the state. Representative George M. Hosack, of Pittsburg, one of the true reformers in the house, a member of the "seventy-six," presented the resolution to investigate. His charges, which were backed up by affidavits, were of the most startling character. He charged that the agent of the dairy and food commissioner in western Pennsylvania, ex-Representative Frank N. Moore, of Bradford county, had been working in collusion with the oleomargarine dealers in Pittsburg. He claimed that one cent per pound tribute had been levied by the agent of the dairy and food commissioner upon every pound of oleomargarine sold in Pittsburg and vicinity. That gross irregularities could be proven and that the dairy and food commissioner had neglected his duty in not being aware of the existing conditions of things.

Representative Hosack stated that there were over 500,000 pounds of oleomargarine and other bogus butters sold in and around Pittsburg every month, and that the revenue, or corruption fund, of one cent per pound on this amount would reach the sum of $5,000 per month, which went into the pockets of some people who would be named later on. The evidence in this alleged wholesale crime against the pure food law of the state, said Mr. Hosack, was absolutely convicting. Affidavits had been secured, and over two months had been spent in collecting evidence with the aid of private detectives. Some interesting exposures will no doubt follow in this matter.

Representative Hosack stated that his charges against the dairy and food commissioner's department were not actuated by any partisan spirit, but that he made the charges and offered the resolution in the interest of the people of the state, and out of a sense of the duties he owed to the commonwealth. Mr. Hosack is one of the representatives interested in the Business Men's League movement, and has no sympathy with the bogus reform movements which must sooner or later come before the senate and house for action.

Business Men's Headquarters.

The earnestness with which the Business Men's League is going to work is shown in the fact that they have, during the past week, opened a suite of rooms upon one of the most prominent thoroughfares of Harrisburg to be used as their permanent headquarters. The rooms are neatly fitted up with matting, desks and chairs, and are already decidedly popular. No distinction is made among callers. Every man, whether Democrat or Republican, is heartily welcomed. There is but one motto recognized by the league, and that is, "Purity in Politics, and the People Against the Bosses." Ex-Representative Pritchard, of Blair county, is in charge of the headquarters, which will remain open until the close of the legislative session.

The work of the "Seventy-six," as the anti-Quay members of the legislature are called, is already attracting attention over the state. The measures that they have introduced are wholly unselfish and not intended to forward personal ambition or encourage private gain. The Kauffman bill compelling the payment of 2 per cent interest on the state moneys, the Bliss revenue bills, and the Hosack investigation are but a few of their measures.

Lost Opportunity.

"I wish't I'd been here in Ameriky in the time of the war," remarked Mr. Herlihy to his wife. "I wouldn't be drivin a coal cart now for a livin if I had."

"Ah, well, Michael," remarked Mrs. Herlihy in a soothing tone, "if you'd gone to the wars you might have been kilt, man, like as not."

"And fwhat if I had?" said her husband, refusing to be consoled. "Fwhat if I had, Norah Herlihy? There'd have been my pinsion comin regular ivery month, and it's ourselves could have lived on it for the rist of our lives instead of goin out scrubbin and drivin coal carts."

"Sure, I never thought of that," said Mrs. Herlihy, and a melancholy silence fell upon the pair.—Youth's Companion.

Does it Pay to be Sick?

Besides the discomforts and suffering, illness of any sort is expensive. Hundreds of people consult the doctors every day about coughs and colds. This is better than to suffer the disease to run along, but those who use Otto's Cure for the throat and lungs do better still. It costs less and the cure is certain. You can get a trial bottle free of our agents, A. W. Colegrove, Smethport; C. M. Benson, Colegrove; S. W. Stickney, Newerf,

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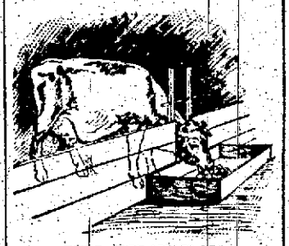
TO PREVENT CHOKING.

When Animals Are Eating Apples, Potatoes and Similar Food.

When a farmer has the conveniences at hand, apples, potatoes, etc., to be fed to cows are ground through the root cutter, which is undoubtedly an excellent plan. Then the ground apples, the cut hay or straw and the grain ration can all be mixed and eaten together. A writer in The Farm and Fireside says on this subject:

If I had no root cutter, I think I would chop the apples coarsely in a large plank



HOW TO FEED APPLES, ETC.

box, using a sharp spade to chop them with, or arrange the manger somewhat on Mr. Woodward's plan here illustrated. He says: "If a pair of posts or stakes be firmly set in the ground or made fast to the floor like a pair of stanchions, just far enough apart to admit a cow's neck, and a hole be bored just high enough so that a pin put through will prevent the animal raising her head quite level, it will be impossible for the apples to roll down into the throat and choke her. The same apparatus will prevent animals choking when eating potatoes or any other food. What makes the animal choke is raising the head so high that the pieces slip by their own weight into the gullet."

I think that the instructions and information as here given should induce those among our apple producing friends who have yet been in doubt as to the advisability of feeding apples to relieve the country of the otherwise undesirable surplus by turning it into milk, butter and meat. Now, in its great wealth, it is really a source of annoyance and loss. It can be made a source of income.

Varieties of Asparagus.

The editor of The Rural New Yorker, who has been testing varieties of asparagus since 1880, says:

Our conclusions are just these: In quality there is no difference. In the size of the stalks there is no difference, always assuming that all the conditions are just the same. In earliness or lateness there is no difference. In the color of the stalks there is a difference. Some are reddish—Red Dutch, for example; some of a medium green—Conover's Colossal, for instance; some are whitish or a light green—Columbian White, for example.

Traitmen's Eyesight.

Color blindness is a congenital defect and is incurable. The man who is born with it must submit to its limitations as long as he lives, and it is wrong to try to deceive himself or others into believing that there is any escape from this condition. Some individuals suffer under greater disabilities than others. Some are more skillful than others in picking out different colors of yarns by touch or in distinguishing signals by the intensity of the color, but a true color blind person is never sure to select either red or green correctly. The true method of detecting color blindness is to test the subject with the colors to which he is blind and with "confusion colors" a sufficient number of times to provide against the possibility of his making right selections by chance. Scientific tests are made in accordance with this principle. They do not require men to name the colors or to study the art of millinery. They do not require a man to name any color. He may even be dumb and yet comply with the essential requirements.—New York Railroad Gazette.

Machine For Distances.

The telemeter is an invention the purpose of which is to measure distance in a very easy and accurate way. The construction of it is somewhat in this wise: A telescope is mounted upon an arm about three feet long, the end of the arm nearest the telescope having a graduation scale for either angles or distances. A horizon glass is finally attached to the arm, and there is also an adjustable vernier which sets with the adjacent graduations on the arm. The reflecting surface of the index glass is set at an angle of 45 degrees to the axis of the lever. The manipulation is very simple. Looking through the telescope and horizon glass at the object the distance of which is to be measured, the lever is swung over so that the index glass receives the image and reflects it to the horizon glass at a point coincident with the line of sight. The vernier determines the angle, and the base line being known the distance of the object may be readily computed.—New York Ledger.

He Saw Visions.

Professor Stowe, the husband of Harriet Beecher Stowe, often said that he saw visions of people in whom he was interested, and Mrs. Field recalls an instance of this in The Review of Reviews. On one occasion Mrs. Stowe was in her room when it was supposed she was out of town. Professor Stowe came in, looked about him with a preoccupied air, but did not speak to her. She thought his behavior strange and amused herself watching him. At last the situation became so extraordinary that she began to laugh. "Why," he exclaimed, with a most astonished air, "is that you? I thought it was one of my visions."

How to be Handsome.

It is a mistake to suppose that the only way to be good looking is to be born so. Good health has more to do with good looks than anything else. Small diseases as constipation, dyspepsia, liver complaint, rheumatism, nervous disorders, etc., not only shorten life, but spoils tempers and looks. Bacon's Celery King for these wasting troubles. A. W. Colegrove, Smethport; C. M. Benson, Colegrove, and S. W. Stickney, Newerf, sell it and will give you a trial package free.

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The Fast Express, daily except Sunday 9:30 a. m.
Mail, daily except Sunday, 3:30 p. m.
*Train leaving Sunday 2 3:30 p. m. connects at Olean with Erie Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

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Clermont Accom daily ex Sunday 3:15 p. m.
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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect, Nov. 15, 1896.

LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:25 a. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:23 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

3:18 p. m.—Train 8, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelph